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REMARKS

Claims 1-51 are active and pending in the present application. Claims 29-51 have been allowed and claims 1-28 stand rejected.

Claims 1-28 stand rejected under the grounds of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-14 of U.S. Patent No. 6,687,562. The Examiner also refers to U.S. Patent No. 6,710,541 but it appears this was a mistake. Applicants intend this reply to be fully responsive and solicit the Examiner's assistance if we are mistaken with respect to U.S. Patent No. 6,710,541.

In response, Applicants are submitting herewith a terminal disclaimer associated with U.S. Patent 6,787,562. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-28 are respectfully requested.

Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge our Deposit Account No. 03-4060 in the total amount of \$250.00 which includes the \$120.00 for the one-month extension of time fee and \$130.00 for the terminal disclaimer fee. Applicants do not believe any other fees are due in connection with this submission, however if any other fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account 03-4060 the appropriate amount.

Respectfully submitted,


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